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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF KOREAN MSX PROBLEM

1. DR. ARON ROSENFELD COMPLETED REVIEW ROK OYSTER DISEASE PROBLEM. NO MSX LIKE ORGANISMS FOUND IN VERY LIMITED SAMPLE; HOWEVER, OTHER DISEASE ENTITIES PRESENT. PREVIOUS ROK OYSTER SAMPLES NOT COMPARABLE WITH U.S. METHODOLOGY, CONSEQUENTLY ROK EVALUATIONS REGARDING NEGATIVE MSX IN DOUBT. COOPERATIVE PROGRAM U.S. AND ROK STILL REQUIRED. SUGGEST EXCHANGE SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICIANS TO BE FOLLOWED BY EXAMINATION OF DUPLICATE OYSTER SAMPLES BY U.S. AND ROK SCIENTIST FROM SEED AND GROWING AREAS. FROM CONSERVATIVE BIOLOGICAL STANDPOINT CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND NO INTRODUCTION SEED TO U.S. WATERS. BELIEVE MINIMAL RISK OF DISEASE INTRODUCTION BY BULK FROZEN OR PROCESSED PRODUCTS, BUT SOME DOUBT REMAINS INTRODUCTION FRESH SHUCKED INTO COASTAL AREAS WHERE DISEASE MAY BE TRANS-
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